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0.0625 is needed. If the illumination system is supposed to illuminate this aperture homogeneously and independent from the field up to a filling degree of $\sigma = 0.6$, for example, the EUV-source must have the following 2-dim Lagrange optical invariant or etendu: (LC).

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 $LC_{ill} = \sigma^2 LC_{Obj} = 0.149 \text{ mm}^2 - 0.928 \text{ mm}^2$

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The Etendu of a laser plasma source is defined as the product of the illuminated surface of an imaginary unit sphere around fle source and the square of the aperture angle at which each field point of the imaginary unit source sees the spherical source.

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 $A^{LPQ} = 2\pi[\cos(\theta_1)-\cos(\theta_2)] \times (R_{sphere})^2$, with $R_{sphere} = 1$ mm

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 $NA \approx r^{LPQ}/R_{sphere} = 0.100$

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 $LC_{Pinch} = A \cdot NA^2 = (\pi \cdot 1 \text{ mm}^2 / 4) \cdot 0.3053^2 = 0.073 \text{ mm}^2.$

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Regarding the basic layout of EUV-illumination systems, we refer to the applicant's pending applications EP 99 1 06348.8, submitted on March 2, 1999, entitled